

Fig. 1. Monthly mean maximum SST [SST-MMM] differences from actual monthly mean SST for August 1990 (a), September 1990 (b), and October 1990 (c). Grey scale coding is: dark-grey = negative differences; light-grey = 0° C to $+1^{\circ}$ C differences; white = $+1^{\circ}$ C to $+1.5^{\circ}$ C; black [water] > +1.5C difference.



Fig. 2. Same as Fig. 1 for April 1991. Note extensive "hot spots" [exceeds SST-MMM by $\geq +1.0$ °C] over tropical Indian and Pacific Oceans.

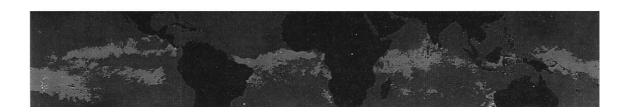


Fig. 3. Same as Fig. 1 for April 1994. Note "hot spots" over much of tropical Pacific Ocean.

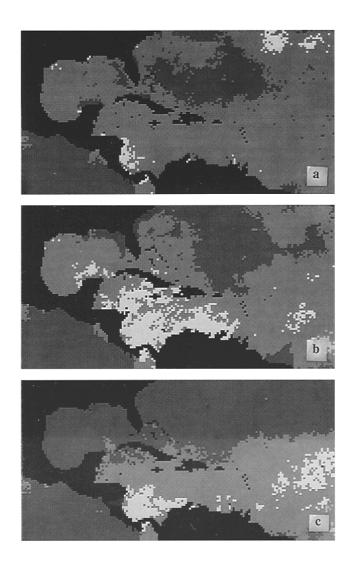


Fig. 4. Same as Fig. 1 for 1994: August (a); September (b); and October (c). Compare with migration of "hot spots" during 1990 episode in Fig. 1.